### James Lloyd, 11:06 AM 2/8/2003 -0500, Video Footage in Public Domain

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Date: Sat, 08 Feb 2003 11:06:47 -0500
To: hcat@hq.nasa.gov
From: James Lloyd <jlloyd@hq.nasa.gov>
Subject: Video Footage in Public Domain
Cc: prutledg@hq.nasa.gov, mcard@hq.nasa.gov, rpatrican@hq.nasa.gov, mark Kowaleski <mkowales@hq.nasa.gov>

Florida Today has some video footage of the foam strike (I believe this is what we have seen many times in the news already). I have asked Mike Card to send you a message with the web link and would like to conference in a person who has seen an object of interest coming off the leading edge at a peculiar angle in several frames of the video. After you receive Mike's email and the MRT teleconference has completed we would suggest that we conference in this former NASA employee who has brought this to our attention and walk through the frames.

Let us know when you'd like to do this.

Jim

# Richardson\_Pamela, 05:46 PM 2/6/2003 -0500, Fwd: IV&V ISS Team request by Columbia ASCB

To: Richardson Pamela From: Pete Ruffedge <prutledg@hq.nasa.gov> Subject: Fwd: IV&V ISS Team request by Columbia ASCB Cc: Bcc: Attached:

Pam,

This is a task the IV&V facility is working on--they are sort of related to us, they were nice enough to let us know, so you might add it to the task list in a special IV&V section.

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Date: Thu, 06 Feb 2003 17:14:50 -0500
To: prutledg@mail.hq.nasa.gov
From: Nelson Keeler < Nelson.H.Keeler@nasa.gov>
Subject: IV&V ISS Team request by Columbia ASCB
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Pete:

The IV&V ISS team is responding to the following request:

As a result of the Columbia loss, IV&V is preparing an assessment, for the ASCB, to identify any potential software risks should Shuttle flights be delayed for an extended period.

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Nelson (Ned) H. Keeler Director, NASA IV&V Facility (304) 367-8201

# Nelson Keeler, 05:14 PM 2/6/2003 -0500, IV&V ISS Team request by Columbia ASCB -5

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# James Lloyd, 08:25 AM:2/6/2003 -0500; Debris Tracking Form by State County2.xls

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More refined table containing debris counts by state subdivded by county. I suspect someone may be recording this to a "pin" map but do not know for sure.



Debris Tracking Form by State County21.xls

James D. Lloyd (Jim)

Acting Deputy Associate Administrator Office of Safety and Mission Assurance Headquarters Room 5U11 desk phone 202-358-0557

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Te: Doug Arbuckle <p.d.arbuckle@larc.nasa.gov>
From: Pete Rutledge 
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From: Pete Rutledge 
Subject: Re: Fwd: On-orbit tile repair
Co: prichard@hq.nasa.gov Attached:

Thank you very much. This is certainly relevant material at this time and probably as we move forward.

Pete

At 09:13 AM 2/5/2003 -0500, you wrote: Dr Rutledge-

Mr John Gleason is currently an aircraft maintenance technician assigned to the Airborne Systems Competency. Many years ago he was a technician assigned to the Structures and Materials Competency, during which time he apparently participated in the studies that you describe.

LaRC's experts in this subject, and most matters relating to Orbiter tiles, are in the Structures and Materials Competency. To assure that LaRC provides the most-informed and most-timely product to Code Q, Mr Gleason will be assigned to pull together what information he has in hand and provide it to the Structures and Materials Competency as soon as possible. Mark Shuart, Director of the Structures and Materials Competency, will be responsible for the final product delivery to Code Q.

LaRC personnel stand ready to provide whatever expertise we have to support the Columbia mishap investigation.

Feel free to contact me at 757-864-1718 if you or Pamela have any questions.

Doug Arbuckle, Director Airborne Systems Competency

X-Sender: prutledg@mail.hq.nasa.gov Date: Tue, 04 Feb 2003 13:21:41 -0500 To: Tony.L.Trexler@nasa.gov From: Pete Rutledge <prutledg@hq.nasa.gov> Subject: On-orbit tile repair Cc: prichard@hq.nasa.gov

Tony.

Pamela Richardson of my staff has informed me that Mr. John Gleason of your staff has knowledge of historical studies at the NASA Langley Research Center regarding Shuttle onorbit tile repair. This has been the subject of recent discussions here and was the subject of a memo from John Young at JSC just a couple of months ago. This subject is even more important as a result of the Columbia mishap. Could you please authorize time for Mr. Gleason to search for this information and forward it as soon as possible to:

Pamela Richardson NASA Headquarters, Code QE 300 E Street SW Washington, DC 20546

I can be reached at 202-358-0579 if you have any questions:

Thank you very much,

Pete

## boug Arbuckle, 10:56 AM 2/5/2003 -0500, Re: Fwd: On-orbit tile repair

Peter J. Rutledge, Ph.D.
Director, Enterprise Safety and Mission Assurance Division
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# Alan H. Phillips, 07:32 AM 2/7/2003 -0500, CAIB/HCAT/MRT/MIT Wiring Diagram with Names

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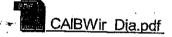
#### Gentlemen:

I received a copy of this from our external affairs folks yesterday. It may not be quite current, but it was better than anything I had. For your use, posting, dissemination as applicable.

#### Alan

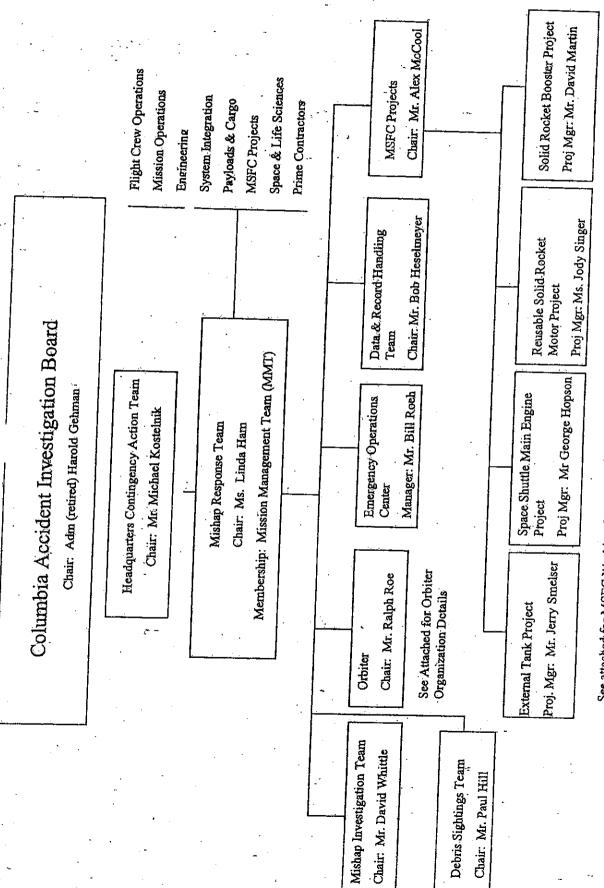
PS -- You guys may want to try to buy an HP Digital Sender for document scanning/dissemination up there. They cost about \$2500, and can scan paper (about 10 - 15 ppm) and automatically converts into a pdf file and you can e-mail to individuals/groups all with

Alan



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See attached for MSFC Working Groups supporting the projects

# Team Responsibilities Description

Columbia Accident Investigation Team-Outside Independent team to investigate the accident involving the loss of the STS 107 crew and vehicle.

supporting the investigation into the loss of STS 107. Includes coordination with the White House and Congress, inter-agency coordination, public affairs, legal counsel. Headquarters Contingency Action Team-Oversight of all NASA activities

internal NASA investigation of the loss of STS 107. Procedures conducted consistent Mishap Response Team- Space Shuttle Program oversight activities to coordinate with NSTS 07700, Vol. VIII, Appendix R. Mishap Investigation Team-Team responsible for the capture and retention of human remains and hardware debris. Operating under established guidelines for NASA and Space Shuttle Program mishap investigations.

Orbiter Team-Includes the propulsion and power; navigation, control & aeronautics; avionics & software; structures & mechanics; crew & thermal systems; photo & television analysis; and flight timelines working group activities.

# Team Responsibilities Description

the public and external organizations. The EOC is located at the Johnson Space Center. Data & Record Handling-- Responsible for all data associated with the accident investigation. Includes administration of impounded data. Also includes organization and cataloging of data from sources outside of NASA.

Shuttle Main Engine, Reusable Solid Rocket Motor, and Solid Rocket Booster. MSFC Projects-Includes the following Project Offices: External Tank, Space

# MSFC Space Shuttle Contingency Working Groups

External Tank Working Group

Solid Rocket Booster

Working Group

Chair: P. Rodriguez

Chair: Paul Munafo

Reusable Solid Rocket Motor Working Group Chair: P. McConnaughey

Space Shuttle Main Engine Working Group

Chair: H. McConnaughey

Space Shuttle Systems Working Group

Working Group Chair: J Brunty

# Pamela Richardson, 12:31 PM 2/4/2003 -0500, Fwd: On Orbit Repair

X-Sender: prichard@mail.hq.nasa.gov X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 4.3.2 Date: Tue, 04 Feb 2003 12:31:59 -0500 To: Pete.Rutledge@hq.nasa.gov From: Pamela Richardson <prichard@hq.nasa.gov> Subject: Fwd: On Orbit Repair

Pete --

Here are some words to send to Mr. Trexler:

Tony --

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Thank you,

Pete Rudledge, Director Enterprise Safety and Mission Assurance Division

X-Sender: j.r.gleason@pop.larc.nasa.gov X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 5.0.2 Date: Tue, 04 Feb 2003 11:11:24 -0500 To: Pamela Richardson <pri>prichard@hq.nasa.gov> From: "John R. Gleason" <j.r.gleason@larc.nasa.gov> Subject: On Orbit Repair Cc: c.c.chandler@larc.nasa.gov, t.l.trexler@larc.nasa.gov

Pam, As per our telecon, pleases send a request for my pursuing the Shuttle On Orbit Tile Repair history to Tony Trexler, (t.l.trexler@nasa.gov.) Head Aircraft Systems Branch, LaRC.

JRG

Pamela F. Richardson Aèrospace Technology Mission Assurance Manager Enterprise Safety and Mission Assurance Division, Code QE Office of Safety and Mission Assurance, NASA Headquarters 300 E. Street, S. W., Washington, DC 20546 phone: 202-358-4631, fax: 202-358-2778

"The meek can \*have\* the Earth. The rest of us are going to the stars." --- Robert Heinlein
"We have to learn to manage information and its flow. If we don't, it will all end up in turbulence." --- RADM Grace Hopper

# James Lloyd, 12:37 PM 2/4/2003 -0500, Fwd: Re: Old shuttle risk study by Pate Cornell (re: tiles o

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X-Sender: jlloyd@mail.hq.nasa.gov X-Mailer: QL/ALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 4.3.2 Date: Tue, 04 Feb 2003 12:37:20 -0500 To: hcat@hq.nasa.gov From: James Lloyd <illoyd@hq.nasa.gov> Subject: Fwd: Re: Old shuttle risk study by Pate-Cornell (re: tiles on

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Cc: prichard@hq.nasa.gov, prutledg@hq.nasa.gov, mark Köwaleski <mkowales@mail.hq.nasa.gov>, mgstamatelatos <mstamate@mail.hq.nasa.gov>,

An item for your consideration. We will have this information available today if you need it also.

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Date: Tue, 04 Feb 2003 11:11:16 -0500
To: James Lloyd <illoyd@hq.nasa.gov>,
 "Wayne R. Frazier" <wirazier@hq.nasa.gov>
From: Michael Stamatelatos <mstamate@hq.nasa.gov>
Subject: Re: Old shuttle risk study by Pate-Cornell
Co: prutledg@hq.nasa.gov, jlemke@hq.nasa.gov, jlyver@hq.nasa.gov

I already gave Wayne copies of two papers published by Elizabeth based on that work. I am also getting a copy of the report today and I will forward a copy to you and Wayne.

At 10:26 AM 2/4/2003 -0500, James Lloyd wrote:
I recall seeing the study and recall it being on workmanship and its relationship to goodness of tile application. The study also treats the risk in a probabilistic sense. Maybe Bill Loewy could do a search on the web if it might be available externally or on the servers if internally. I would bet it is somewhere where we might have all the supporting documents for risk

At 09:58 AM 2/4/2003 -0500, Wayne R. Frazier wrote:
Jack Mannix from legal just called me. They are looking for a 1990 study by Elizabeth Pate-Cornell at Stanford on Shuttle Risk Analysis. I think I remember Bob Weinstock working that from here out of Code Q funds. Does anyone have a copy. Apparently its getting some

Wayne .

Wayne R. Frazier NASA Headquarters - Code QS Office of Safety and Mission Assurance Washington, DC 20546-0001 Ph: 202 358-0588 Fax: 202 358-3104

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Dr. Michael Stamatelatos Manager, Agency Risk Assessment Program NASA Headquarters - Mail Code QE Office of Safety and Mission Assurance

James Lloyd, 12:37 PM 2/4/2003 -0500, Fwd: Re: Old shuttle risk study by Pate-Cornell (re: tiles o

300 E Street, SW Washington, DC 20024 Phone: 202/358-1668 Fax: 202/358-2778 E-mail: Michael G Stamatelatos@nasa.gov (Please note change in e-mail address)

"Mission success starts with safety"

Jim

#### Lawrence Davis, 02:49 PM 2/4/2003 -0500, CAIB

Here's three report titles that were written by DFRC personnel. They are in the public domain and the Denver Post and New York Times have both been asking for information. One article appeared in the LA Times with statements from, Robert Quinn, a retiree. His statement was this disaster could have been triggered by the loss of one tile. These studies were done on the left wing of the Columbia so are attracting more interest.

NASA Technical Paper 2657, Dec 1986, Finite-Element Reentry Heat-Transfer Analysis of Space Shuttle Orbiter, William L. Ko, Robert D. Quinn and Leslie Gong

NASA Technical Memorandum 88286, Oct 1987, Thermal Stress Analysis of Space Shuttle Orbiter Subjected to Reentry Aerodynamic Heating, William L. Ko and Roger A. Fields

NASA Technical Memorandum 88278, Nov 1987, Comparison of Flight-Measured and Calculated Temperatures on the Space Shuttle Orbiter, Leslie Gong, William L. Ko, Robert D. Quinn and W. Lance Richards

I hope all this is helpful. Lawrence

## Eric C Raynor, 02:58 PM 2/4/2003 -0500, 1) Role of the NSRS in the Columbia Accident Investigation

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From: Eric C Raynor <eraynor@hq.nasa.gov>
Subject: 1) Role of the NSRS in the Columbia Accident Investigation, and 2) Close Out of the NASA IG NSRS Audit
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NASA Safety Reporting System (NSRS) Technical Advisory Group (TAG) Representatives:

Although the NSRS is primarily viewed as a preventative safety reporting channel, it is also well-suited to serve as a post-accident reporting channel. In recent NASA press brieflings on the loss of Columbia and her crew, several senior NASA managers have mentioned the NSRS as an available means to anonymously report any information which might be of help in the investigation into the Columbia accident. In light of these announcements, please take appropriate steps to ensure that the NSRS program remains visible and accessible to personnel at your installation. Please be sure to check your on-site displays to ensure they are well-stocked with NSRS brochures and report forms. If you need additional supplies, please let me know

Also, please be advised that the NASA Office of the Inspector General has concluded its investigation into the NSRS process, and copies of their findings and NASA's response can be found in the enclosed PDF file attachments.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

-Eric



IG NSRS Closure Letter pdf



Code Q NSRS Audit Closure Response pdf

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# Eric C Raynor, 02:58 PM 2/4/2003 -0500, 1) Role of the NSRS in the Columbia Accident Investigation

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# James Lloyd, 03:34 PM 2/4/2003 -0500, Re: Fwd: Re: Old shuttle risk study by Pate-Cornell

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Date: Tue, 04 Feb 2003 15:34:47 -0500
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I have also provided to HCAT who were actually very interested in the excellent illustrations which they have not been able to secure. They have no access to the JSC source data base for the illustrations evidently.

At 02:26 PM 2/4/2003 -0500, Wayne R. Frazier wrote:
I have received a clean copy of the report plus three magazine articles from Michael S. and will take up to Legal per Pete's direction.

Pamela please add this to your log of actions done. Sylvia, please close this out on the QS log. X-Sender: prutledg@mail.hq.nasa.gov
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Jim,

We had already anticiapted the need for the report. Couldn't find it here. I asked Michael S. to call her. Should arrive today via FedEx. I hope our call didn't cause her to give a press conference!!

#### Pete

At 10:26 AM 2/4/2003 -0500, James Lloyd wrote:

I recall seeing the study and recall it being on workmanship and its relationship to goodness of tile application. The study also treats the risk in a probabilistic sense. Maybe Bill Loewy could do a search on the web if it might be available externally or on the servers if internally. I think it predates Bob Weinstock but I may be wrong unless it was worked through Vitro. I would bet it is somewhere where we might have all the supporting documents for risk assessment.

At 09:58 AM 2/4/2003 -0500, Wayne R. Frazier wrote:

Jack Mannix from legal just called me. They are looking for a 1990 study by Elizabeth Pate-Cornell at Stanford on Shuttle Risk Analysis. I think I remember Bob Weinstock working that from here out of Code Q funds. Does anyone have a copy. Apparently its getting some press.

#### Wayne

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>From Gary Johnson at JSC; kind of restores ones faith in people's integrity and sense of fairness. Kind of a shame that Richard was out of the country when the media took off in this direction.

#### Original Message:

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Glad to see Richard's trying to do the right thing.

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Subject: Former Head of ASAP Sets the Record Straight
      Former Head of NASA Safety Panel Sets the Record Straight
     By Brian Berger
    Space News Staff Writer
03:00 pm ET
04 February 2003
    WASHINGTON - Much has been made since Saturday of a comment a member of NASA's Aerospace Safety Advisory Panel made during an
    April 18 hearing before the House Science space and aeronautics
    The member, Richard Blomberg, the former chairman of the panel,
   told lawmakers that he had "never been as concerned for space
   shuttle safety as I am right now."
   Less is being made of what he then went on to say:
> "That concern is not for the present flight or the next or
> perhaps the one after that. In fact, one of the roots of my
> concern is that nobody will know for sure when the safety margin
> has been eroded too far. All of my instincts, however, suggest
> that the current approach is planting the seeds for future
 Blomberg told Space News in a Feb. 4 telephone interview that he
 felt his comments had been taken out of context by some media
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> "I clearly was not talking about immediate flight risks," he said. "I was talking about the long term planning and the fact that the planning horizon was not realistic if the shuttle was
     not going to be replaced any time soon.
  > Blomberg was in London when the shuttle Columbia disintegrated on
  > reentry Feb.1. When he returned home Monday night, he was 
> chagrinned to see that his comments had been taken out of context
     by a host of media outlets.
     Blomberg has since been trying to set the record straight and has
     been deluged with phone calls and interview requests from the
     media.
 > Blomberg also told Space News that he doesn't believe that the > loss of Columbia is due to NASA or its contractors shirking their
     commitment to safety.
     "The safety processes were, if anything, more robust than ever,"
  > he said.

    Congressional staffers present at the April 18 hearing also said
    they felt Blomberg's comments had been largely misconstrued. They

    said lawmakers took from his comments that NASA is not
    shortchanging safety today, but that if the agency wishes to continue flying safety into the next decade, larger investments need to be made in upgrades.
 > By November 2002, NASA appeared ready to do just that, An > amendment to NASA's 2003 budget request sent to Congress by the > White House asked that an additional $470 million be provided for > a space shuttle Service Life Extension Program.
 > Asked if the request for additional funds was responsive to the > advisory panel's recommendations. Blomberg said: "I'm not a > budget expert, so I don't know whether that's adequate, too much > or too little - but its certainly in the right spirit".
> Blomberg also said he does not believe that NASA's dismissal of > advisory panel members in early 2002 had anything to do with the > group's conclusions. Blomberg, who resigned his position as > chairman of the panel April 1, 2001, said that while he did not > agree with NASA's conclusion that more turnover in the panel's
 > membership was needed, he said he does not believe NASA was
 > trying to silence dissenting opinions.
    "People in Washington know you don't silence people by letting
 > them go - it just loosens thèir tongues," he said.
   NASA spokesman Bob Jacobs said the decision to replace members of
   the aerospace safety advisory panel dates back to a 1997 by the U.S. space agency's inspector General expressing concern about
 the length of service of panel members.
 > In 2001, Jacobs said, a NASA internal report came to the same
 > conclusion. He said the changes in the panel's composition were
> unrelated to the panel's findings about the space shuttle
   program.
> Robert Walker, chairman of the Wexler Group and the former chair > of the House Science Committee, said the additional money for
> shuttle upgrades also reflected a decision by NASA in 2001 to
> push back the projected retirement date for shuttle from 2012 to
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> 2020 or later.

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Walker also said he felt Blomberg's testimony had been taken out "What he was concerned about was the talk that NASA was going to continue using the shuttle out to 2020," Walker said. "A lot of us who have looked at this program agreed that in order to have a shuttle that operates that you, you are going to have to spend a lot of money in upgrades to keep it flying safely." Walker said the perspective was different when NASA though it would phase out the shuttle around 2012. In that scenario, he said, he makes more sense to focus investment on the new technologies needed for the new vehicle. "I don't believe that agency was compromising safety by starving [the shuttle program] for funds," he said. "I spent a year looking at this stuff and I really don't think that's a legitimate criticism." Walker served as chair of the Commission on the Future of the U.S. Aerospace industry. The commission's report, delivered to the White House and Congress in late 2002, recommended an > increased investment in the crumbling ground infrastructure at > Kennedy Space Center and Cape Canaveral Air Station, the United State's primary launch facilities. Lori Garver, a former NASA associate administrator for policy and plans who now consults to the aerospace industry, agreed that too much was being made of Blomberg's warnings by the media. "Blomberg did not say it was unsafe now, he said it would be in 10 years if NASA didn't increase its investment," she said. "Every single time we fly we believe it is safe or we wouldn't do it," Garver said. > © 1999-2002 SPACE.com, Inc. ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.

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# AUDITORIUM, CONFERENCE ROOMS OPEN TO VIEW STS-107 CREW MEMORIAL

Today's memorial service for the crew of the Space Shuttle Columbia will be broadcast on NASA Television. The auditorium is open, but you should be aware that it also serves as a staging area for reporters. There is a chance members of the media will ask you for interviews and reaction.

If you would prefer not to face the possibility of reporters' cameras and guestions, NASA Headquarters has opened MIC-3, starting at 12:30 p.m.

The ceremony may be viewed on NASA HQ Internal Channel 24, the HIT televisions throughout the building, and streamed off the Internet at <a href="http://www.nasa.gov">http://www.nasa.gov</a>

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#### Jonathan B. Mullin, 12:07 PM 2/5/2003 -0500, FW: updated version of the general guidelines for fit

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To: jlemke@hq.nasa.gov From: "Jonathan B. Mullin" <jmullin@hq.nasa.gov>

Subject: FW: updated version of the general guidelines for field team

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John, for the NASA Record, the enclosed General Guidelines were issued by Code AM. Both Codes AM and QS are unsure of where the other, not attached to this correspondence, "one page guidance" came from to advise Public Service Personnel. The Code AM enclosed guidance is more reliable guidance to Public Service Personnel due to the fact that a "team of Industrial Hygienists" have developed this product. Redards, Jon

#### 4 February 2003

# > GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR PERSONNEL HEALTH PROTECTION FOR FIELD TEAMS DURING RECOVERY OF SHUTTLE DEBRIS

- > The following recommendations are provided for personnel health protection for field teams assigned to pick up debris / materials associated with the Columbia accident. These protection guidelines are for activities including investigation, recovery, and cleanup operations. Additional guidelines may be provided for other downstream activities such as working in Shuttle debris staging areas and/or handling cataloged items.
- The appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) to be used by personnel will depend on the task to be performed and proximity to debris containing hazardous material. A tiered approach to protective clothing selection is provided to allow for ease of implementation. The proper protective clothing for preventing /minimizing potential personnel exposure to hazardous materials and adequate control areas should be coordinated with the on-site health and safety supervisor. Coordinate with the NASA Recovery Team Command Post if there are any questions with this guidance. The on-site NASA JBOSC Environmental Health/Industrial Hygiene Office (EH/IH) representative supporting the recovery team may be contacted through the NASA Recovery Team Command Post if additional technical guidance is requested.
- > a. Level A This level of protection is to be used when exposure (potential for contact with Liquid Propellants) to hypergolic propellants (e.g. hydrazines and dinitrogen tetroxide) is a hazard. Only NASA/Contractor qualified employees should enter areas with hypergolic propellants present in EPA Level A equivalent protection with positive pressure SCBA suit/gloves made with hypergolic propellant protective /compatible materials or Propellant Handlers Ensemble (PHE),(SCAPE). Consult with NASA Recovery Team Command Post.
- Level B This level of protection can be used during entry into an area where potential exists for depleted oxygen levels or when ammonia, Freon, hypergolic vapor or other inhalation hazards are present.>
- > a. Level C1 Personnel should use full face respirators equipped with High Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) filters, Disposable coveralls (hooded Tyvek suits over coveralls), Cutresistant leather gloves, Disposable coverall sleeves should be taped over gloves to prevent fibers from lodging under clothing, Disposable booties or boot covers over safety shoes, and an article of clothing to protect neck area under face. Examples of these tasks would include uncontrolled inhalation hazard from dusty material (e.g. handling friable TPS materials or burned graphite composite in which dust is produced).
- Note: Level C1 may be downgraded to Level C2 if dust is suppressed by using wetting agents or encapsulants, (e.g. spray-on floor wax and glue).
  - Level C2 Personnel should use disposable respirators (HEPA, N100 or N95),

disposable coveralls (Tyvek suits), heavy leather gloves, disposable booties or boot covers over safety shoes, and safety glasses with side shields or goggles.

- Level C2 protection would be for tasks with less potential for disturbance of compositecontaining debris. Examples of these tasks would include picking up larger pieces of wetted TPS debris or disturbing it in any other way.
- > a. Level D Personnel should use leather gloves and a disposable dust mask or N95 (optional). Level D protection would be for tasks with minimal potential for debris disturbance (dust unlikely). Examples would include picking up metal fragments or small pieces of TPS material.
- > Proper protective clothing requirements should be coordinated with the on-site health and safety representatives on a daily basis. Under all circumstances, the disturbance of debris should be minimized to avoid creating airborne particulates.
- The following materials may pose potential health hazards when encountering Shuttle debris:
- Metals

Aluminum - Boron Truss

These materials should be in a solid minimum hazard state.
This material must be inhaled or ingested to exhibit toxic effects.
Handle with leather gloves. Wash with soap and water if skin contact.
Level D PPE is recommended.

Epoxy-Boron Truss

These materials should be in a solid minimum hazard state.

This material must be inhaled or ingested to exhibit toxic effects.

Handle with leather gloves. Wash with soap and water if skin contact.

Level D.PPE is recommended.

Beryllium

Found in windshield frame and external tank doors

Must be inhaled or ingested to be a hazard
Should be found in a solid minimum hazard state.
Handle with leather gloves. Wash with soap and water if skin contact.
Level D PPE is recommended. If material is oxidized, PPE level upgrade should be considered.

#### Hypergolic Propellants

> Debris suspected of containing hypergolic propellants should be examined upwind at a distance. Items potentially containing liquids or vapors of hypergolic propellants would probably be tubing, thrusters, piping, tubing/piping fittings, and vessels. If hypergolic propellants are present, the debris may be approached by NASA/Contractor qualified personnel in Level A or equivalent. Calibrated monitoring equipment should be used to determine hypergolic vapor concentrations. If no hypergolic vapors are detected, the site health and safety supervisor may downgrade PPE taking into consideration the pH of the material.
> Parts and materials contaminated with propellants that have been > "> bagged> "> may off-gas slowly in the bag or container used for storage and shipping. Caution should be used the bags under a laboratory fume hood, and/or with proper PPE.

Hydrazine, monomethyl hydrazine, and Nitrogen tetroxide (Hypergolic Propellants) Forward and Aft reaction control system (RCS), Auxiliary Power Unit (APU), and Orbiter

Maneuvering System (OMS)>

\* \* Only NASA/Contractor qualified employees should enter areas with hypergolic propellants present in OSHA Level A Protection with suit/gloves made with hypergolic propellant protective /compatible materials or Propellant Handlers Ensemble (PHE), (SCAPE)

\* Valves are designed to fail closed, assume all tubing to be contaminated with hypergolic

Appropriate control zones should be established to prevent exposure to unprotected personnel. Vessels under pressure should also be taken into consideration while establishing the control zone.

3. Cryogens

Liquid Hydrogen (LH2)and Liquid Oxygen (LO2) Heavy leather gloves are appropriate PPE for handling. See on-site Health and Safety supervisor for site-specific recommendations. 4. Refrigerants Ammonia Orbiter coolant system. Ammonia vapors may be irritating to eyes and upper respiratory system.

> \* Utilize Level B (Self-contained breathing apparatus and skin protection) for unknown concentrations during initial characterization. Consult with on-site health and safety representative for appropriate PPE. Dichloromonofluoromethane (Freon 21) Orbiter coolant system. May displace oxygen in enclosed or poorly ventilated areas. Utilize Level B (Self-contained breathing apparatus and compatible gloves) in enclosed areas Consult with on-site safety representative for appropriate PPE. 5. Thermal Protection System (TPS) Materials:
 \* Silica and other refractory fibers may be found in Shuttle tiles, blankets used on exterior Shuttle surfaces and payload bay, gap fillers, thermal barriers, heat shields.
 \* The principal acute hazards of TPS materials are eye, skin and upper respiratory (depending upon particle size) tract irritation. Irritation and abrasion, similar to that of glass fibers may occur. The level of PPE should be based on the task being performed, friability of the material and environmental conditions. Coordinate proper selection with site health and safety supervisor. Helium Pressure Systems \* Forward and Aft Reaction Control System (RCS) 13 gallon helium tanks (6 tanks) and Orbiter Maneuvering System (OMS) 130 gal helium tanks (2 tanks)
 \* See site health and safety supervisor for safety precautions. Ordnance > \* Ordnance is located in the following areas of the Shuttle: Wheel well in main landing gear, Drag chute compartment, Main hatch, KU-Band Antenna, Emergency Egress Window, See site health and safety supervisor for safety precautions. Other Chemicals > Recovery teams should remember that various sizes of pressurized vessels used for Shuttle experiments may be present in the debris. These vessels, although small, may be highly pressurized, and should be handled with care. Coordinate with health and safety supervisor.

#### GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

- > 1. Appropriate decontamination procedures must be followed to prevent transport of dusty debris from the work area. Donning/ doffing PPE should be performed in a clean area. Procedure to be posted at site.
- > 2. If debris is contaminated with carbon/graphite fibers (burned graphite/composite), personnel exiting a controlled zone should use a wet/dry HEPA vacuum (if present) to decontaminate outer clothing prior to removal. Procedure to be posted at site.
- > 3. Contaminated PPE should be disposed of in appropriate bags/containers.
- > 4. Respirators should be wet wiped on the outside and wipes disposed of properly. Respirators may not be left in potentially contaminated areas. The inside of the respirator should not be exposed to composite materials. This could result in skin irritation around facial area. Additionally, gloves should not be left in potentially contaminated areas. Disposable respirators should be discarded in appropriate bags/containers. Follow normal respirator cleaning and disinfecting protocol.

- > 5.> Personnel should wash their hands and face when leaving a controlled work area and should wash their hands, forearms, and face prior to eating, drinking, or > smoking. Personnel should shower prior to going home when possible. Where possible a portable eyewash providing fifteen minutes of flow should be on site.
- > 6. Respirator filters should be replaced whenever they are damaged, soiled, or causing noticeably increased breathing resistance (e.g., causing discomfort to the wearer). Use of protective clothing, including respiratory protection, must be used in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Use of respiratory protection must be in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.134. If other respiratory protection such as organic vapor, ammonia, or other applications are needed consult with an industrial hygienist.

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# Wayne R. Frazier, 10:08 AM 2/5/2003 -0500, Defense Intelligence offer

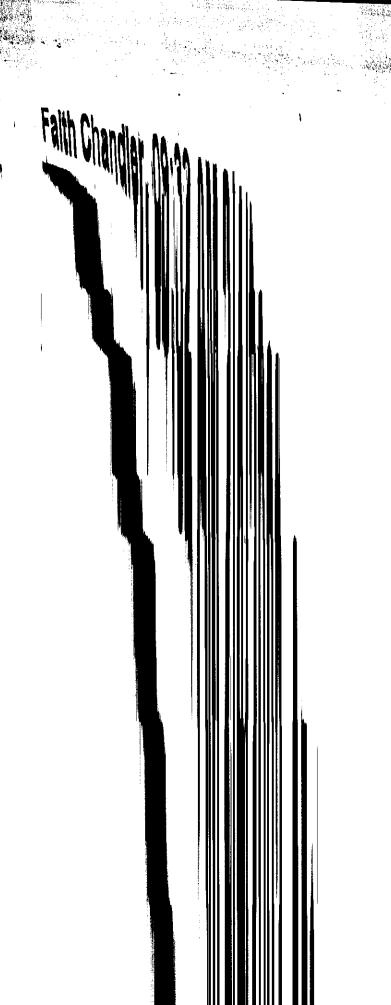
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This date received an offer from DIA (Bill Hungate through a third party)at Patrick AFB to offer DIA services to overfly the crash site with a hyperspectral scanner that has 3" resolution for hard objects in vegetation. Passed to Jon Mullin in Code QS who called FEMA EST rep Justin Tillman (646.2461) who called back and recommended we have DIA Patrick call Mr. Wayne Farley at the Lufkin DFO at 318.456.7238. Called DIA back at 0950 Feb 5 and talked to LTC Jeff Grantham (321.494.6240) who will contact Lufkin DFO.

#### Wayne

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# Faith Chandler, 09:32 AM 2/4/2003 -0500, Re: Fwd: Data systems support for wreckage recovery a

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As I indicated in our conversation, there is an urgent need to quickly implement a database to capture information pertinent to each piece of wreckage that is recovered from Columbia. I believe that the investigationOrganizer that Tina Panontin and her group at Ames have developed provides the proper infrastructure to accomplish this.

The most important immediate need is to implement a procedure to associate a unique identifier to each recovered piece (or collection of pieces) along with a basic set of descriptive information. It is my understanding that the MIT has implemented a tagging system that uses the name of the recovery team leader and a sequential number to uniquely identify each part, and records the following information:

Lat/long

Date tagged

Rough description

Hazardous material (ves/no)

Hazardous material (yes/no)
Photo # (will need to be tied to whatever photo db is established)
Part Number (if present)
Batch identifier for small parts.

Obviously we can broaden this set of variables if appropriate. It will also be important to provide hooks to other datasets, such as radar target tracks, etc.

I intend to fly to Shreveport in the morning. I would suggest that you launch two or three people from NASA Ames and that we tag up in the morning. I will let you know when I have found a place to stay. I assume that we will have facilities available at Barksdale and will try to work that out with our folks on the ground there (Benzon and Hilldrup) before I head out.

I would suggest that the Ames people bring along whatever hardware they need to set up the data system and provide for data entry. We will probably need to anticipate training people to do data entry.

Please let me know if there are any difficulties with this plan. Thanks.

Vern Ellingtad

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From: Faith Chandler <fchandle@hq.nasa.gov>
Subject: Re: Fwd: Data systems support for wreckage recovery at Barksdale

Pete.

FYI... I also recommended this to Bryan. He and I spoke about it on Sunday.

At 09:29 AM 2/4/2003 -0500, you wrote: Yuri,

Yes, in fact we (Pat Martin) had gone to Theron Bradley (on Saturday) and asked if, based on his CONTOUR experience with IO, he would want us to call on ECS to support the Columbia AIB. He suggested we hold off a decision on that. We mentioned it to Bryan, as well, as a useful option, so it was on his mind, as well. I'm glad that connection ended up being made one way or the other. I think IO will be a valuable tool for the board.

Pete

At 09:14 AM 2/4/2003 -0500, you wrote: Pete,

Just to give you a heads up we've sent a team down to Shreveport last night to support Vern and his folks. We've also assembled a tiger team at ARC to work some of the scaling and interface issues of IO based on the initial feedback from the CONTOUR mishap.

I'll keep you posted as events warrant.

tx, -yuri

be advised that James Williams and lan Sturken from NASA Ames will arrive in Shreveport late tonight and will contact you on your cell in the morning.

They are bringing laptops that with web access will provide access to investigationOrganizer on the Ames server. They will also bring a copy of the software that can be loaded onto a local machine if necessary. They are ready to work with you and others to structure the data fields and data relationships to meet the requirements of the investigation. We can then work out the procedures and resources for training and data entry.

I'll be in contact with them throughout the days but feel to contact me directly as well.

take care, Tina

## Faith Chandler, 09:32 AM 2/4/2003 -0500, Re: Fwd: Data systems support for wreckage recovery a

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## Doug Arbuckie, 09:13 AM 2/5/2003 -0500, Re: Fwd: On orbit tile repair

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Subject: Re: Fwd: On-orbit tile repair
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m.j.shuart@larc.nasa.gov, a.h.phillips@larc.nasa.gov,
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#### Dr Rutledge--

Mr John Gleason is currently an aircraft maintenance technician assigned to the Airborne Systems Competency. Many years ago he was a technician assigned to the Structures and Materials Competency, during which time he apparently participated in the studies that you describe.

LaRC's experts in this subject, and most matters relating to Orbiter tiles, are in the Structures and Materials Competency. To assure that LaRC provides the most-informed and most-timely product to Code Q, Mr Gleason will be assigned to pull together what information he has in hand and provide it to the Structures and Materials Competency as soon as possible. Mark Shuart, Director of the Structures and Materials Competency, will be responsible for the final product delivery to Code Q.

LaRC personnel stand ready to provide whatever expertise we have to support the Columbia mishap investigation.

Feel free to contact me at 757-864-1718 if you or Pamela have any questions.

Doug Arbuckle, Director Airborne Systems Competency

X-Sender: prutledg@mail.hq.nasa.gov Date: Tue, 04 Feb 2003 13:21:41 -0500 To: Tony.L.Trexler@nasa.gov From: Pete Rutledge <prutledg@hq.nasa.gov> Subject: On-orbit tile repair Cc: prichard@hq.nasa.gov

Tony,

Pamela Richardson of my staff has informed me that Mr. John Gleason of your staff has knowledge of historical studies at the NASA Langley Research Center regarding Shuttle onorbit tile repair. This has been the subject of recent discussions here and was the subject of a memo from John Young at JSC just a couple of months ago. This subject is even more important as a result of the Columbia mishap: Could you please authorities time for Mr. Gleason to search for this information and forward it as soon as possible to:

Pamela Richardson NASA Headquarters, Code QE 300 E Street SW Washington, DC 20546

I can be reached at 202-358-0579 if you have any questions.

Thank you very much,

Pete

Peter J. Rutledge, Ph.D. Director, Enterprise Safety and Mission Assurance Division Acting Director, Review and Assessment Division Office of Safety and Mission Assurance

# Doug Arbuckle, 09:13 AM 2/5/2003 -0500, Re: Fwd: On-orbit tile repair

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#### Faith Chandler, 08:49 AM 2/5/2003 -0500. Fwd: Re: presentations

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Subject: Fwd: Re: presentations

Pete.

FYI...

X-Sender: mkicza@mail.hq.nasa.gov X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 4.3.2 Date: Wed, 05 Feb 2003 08:39:56 -0500 To; Faith Chandler <fchandle@hq.nasa.gov> From: Mary Kicza <mkicza@hq.nasa.gov> Subject: Re: presentations

Faith,

I think what our people will be looking for is simply a general, top-level overview of the mishap process, and then an understanding of the teams that are in place for the 107 mishap. So it's a combination of the two presentations you show, but not with all of the detail (i.e. how to conduct an interview, etc.), plus information about the actual boards that have been formed for this particular investigation.

Thanks!

Mary

At 08:26 AM 2/5/2003 -0500, you wrote: Mary,

Here are two presentations that have been prepared recently.

One is for the Enterprises .... to give them an overview of how the HCAT - MRT - and field investigators are working together. The other is a briefing that was prepared for the Columbia Accident Investigation Board at the request of Bryan... to provide them with some refresher information on investigation.

I am not sure what you are looking for. Perhaps one or a combination of these would serve you.

If you have an opportunity, please mark the slides you are interested in. I can put together a custom presentation to meet your specific information needs.

Thanks. Faith

Faith Chandler

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# Faith Chandler, 08:49 AM 2/5/2003 -0500, Fwd: Re: presentations

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#### Jonathan B. Mullin, 10:48 AM 2/5/2003 -0500, 107 Board Questions

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To: jlemke@hq.nasa.gov From: "Jonathan B. Multin" <jmullin@hq.nasa.gov> Subject: 107 Board Questions

Cc: tom.whitmeyer@hg.nasa.gov, prutledg@hg.nasa.gov, prichard@hg.nasa.gov

Consider the following for SMART Investigation Questions:
Palmdale:
1. Call former SMA from Palmdale Space Shuttle who can comment on workmanship, MRB activities, open paper, successes, schedules, etc. during Orbiter upgrades and maintenance.
2. Consider requesting lists of Federal and Contractors who have worked on NASA

Resources

3 Provide all DRLs, contracts, and formal reviews.4. Records of NASA Headquarters (Code Q) oversight of this location. Regards, Jon

Jonathan B. Mullin Manager Operational Safety
Emergency Preparedness Coordinator
Headquarters National Aeronautics and Space Administration
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#### Michael Stamatelatos, 08:41 AM 1/21/2003 -0500, Fwd: STS-107

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Pete:

Has my invitation to this launch been approved?

Michael

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STS-107 is scheduled for March 1. If you send me names earlier, they will received invitations. If you wish to have anyone else witness the launch, please let me know by January 29, 2003. Remember, I need full names, titles, and occupation of the principal, and the full names of all those in the party. Thanks. Geoff Geoffrey B. Templeton

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#### Geoffrey Templeton, 08:24 AM 1/21/2003 -0500, STS-107

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## Vernon W Wessel, 01:40 PM 1/14/2003 -0500, Re: Fwd: STS-107 PMMT SMAR

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To: Pete Rutledge prutledg@hq.nasa.gov>
From: Vernon W Wessel <Vernon W Wessel@grc.nasa.gov>
Subject: Re: Fwd: STS-107 PMMT SMAR

Thank you Pete - I'll read and Jim noted that Michael S might be a good person to talk with.

Bill

At 12:53 PM 1/14/2003 -0500, you wrote:
Bill, Jim said you were looking for info on the Shuttle. Attached is the latest I have access to. Hope this helps.

Pete

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### James Lløyd, 01:12 PM 1/14/2003 -0500, Res Fwd: STS-107 PMMT SMAR

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Thanks Pete, I knew I saw something somewhere on the problem but I couldn't recall where.

At 12:53 PM 1/14/2003 -0500, Pete Rutledge wrote: Bill, Jim said you were looking for info on the Shuttle. Attached is the latest I have access to. Hope this helps.

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Jim

#### Mark Kowaleski, 04:07 PM 1/7/2003 -0500, Re. STS-107 FRR SMAR

X-Sender: mkowales@mail.hq.nasa.gov X-Mailer: QUALCOMM Windows Eudora Version 4.3.2 Date: Tue, 07 Jan 2003 16:07:57--0500 To: Bill Bihner <wbihner@hq.nasa.gov> From: Mark Kowaleski <mkowales@hq.nasa.gov> Subject: Re: STS-107 FRR SMAR Cc: prutledg@mail.hq.nasa.gov

Bill, totally awesome job! Thanks for your hard work in pulling this together.

Mark

At 03:34 PM 1/7/2003 -0500, you wrote: Good Afternoon,

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>> Action:
>> immersion test?
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## boconnor, 04:02 PM 1/6/2003 -0500, Re: STS-107 Code Q logistics

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Subject: Re: STS-107 Code Q logistics
Cc: wbihner@mail.hq.nasa.gov, prutledg@mail.hq.nasa.gov

Mark, No problem. By the way, I suggested to Rich in this morning's Code Q staff meeting that the SMAR should be something the SMA Directors at the Centers share with their Center Directors so they are a little smarter about issues the other centers are working before they show up for the FRR. He thinks the ones needing it the most would probably be Parsons and Bridges because JSC and MSFC CDs get pretty comprehensive briefings before the FRR.

At 03:51 PM 1/6/2003 -0500, Mark Kowaleski wrote: Bryan,

Only Bill Bihner will be attending the STS-107 FRR (I felt it was a waste for two people to go to the FRR). Bill has attended a lot of FRRs during his Code M days, so he is comfortable with the process.

Bill has taken the lead on STS-107 Code Q activities and he has put together the STS-107 Safety and Mission Assurance Report (SMAR). The product is exactly like what you are used to seeing. It will be distributed tomorrow after the latest BSTRA updates have been incorporated from today's special BSTRA PRCB.

Both Bill and I will support the launch operations next week in the LCC. This will get him up-to-speed on the launch process in the LCC and Code Q's role in the launch count.

Please let us know if you need anything.

Thanks,

Mark